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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Tamotsu KONDOW, et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/996,591

FILED: NOVEMBER 30, 2001

FOR: METHODS FOR DETERMINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES OF SINGLE
NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 1634

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: EXAMINER: LU

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated November 18, 2002, Applicants elect, with traverse, Species (a) and Species (c), as defined below, for further prosecution. Claims 1-11 read on Species (a) and Claims 1-8, 10, and 11 read on Species (c).

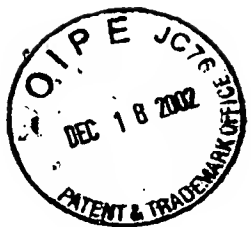
REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

- (a) nucleotide sequencing in the presence of an immobilized nucleic acid template and a primer solution; and
- (b) nucleotide sequencing in the presence of an immobilized primer and a nucleic acid template solution.

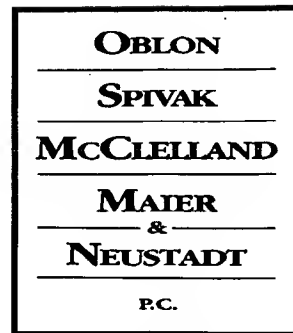
In addition, the Office is requiring an election from:

- (c) DNA polymerase and dNTP; and
- (d) RNA polymerase and NTP.



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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Response to Restriction Requirement

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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